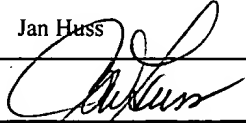


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Responsive to the Office Action mailed on January 21, 2004 in connection with the above-identified patent application, please consider the following remarks. A request for a one month extension of time accompanies this response. Attached is a declaration by Avi Ashkenazi.